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The General Assembly,

Reaffirming the importance of disarmament in strengthening global security and promoting international stability,

Recognizing that the political will to advance the disarmament agenda has strengthened in recent years and that the international political climate is conducive to the promotion of multilateral disarmament and moving towards the goal of a world without nuclear weapons,

Expressing, nevertheless, grave concern about the current status of the disarmament machinery, including the lack of progress in the Conference on Disarmament for more than a decade, and stressing the need for greater efforts to advance multilateral disarmament negotiations,

Welcoming the efforts by Member States to secure progress in multilateral disarmament and the support of the Secretary-General for such efforts, and noting the intention to follow up on the high-level meeting on revitalizing the work of the Conference on Disarmament and taking forward multilateral disarmament negotiations, held in New York on 24 September 2010,

Mindful of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular Article 11 of Chapter IV concerning the functions and powers of the General Assembly in respect of disarmament,

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1. *Welcomes* the opportunity provided by the high-level meeting on revitalizing the work of the Conference on Disarmament and taking forward multilateral disarmament negotiations, convened at the initiative of the Secretary-General in New York on 24 September 2010, to address the need to advance multilateral disarmament efforts;

2. *Expresses appreciation* for the participation by Ministers for Foreign Affairs and other high-level officials in the high-level meeting, and emphasizes the support voiced for the urgent need to revitalize the work of multilateral disarmament bodies and advance multilateral disarmament negotiations;

3. *Notes with appreciation* the suggestions made by the Secretary-General with regard to revitalizing the multilateral disarmament machinery;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-sixth session the item entitled "Follow-up to the high-level meeting held on 24 September 2010: revitalizing the work of the Conference on Disarmament and taking forward multilateral disarmament negotiations".